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Celebrate Black History Month



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Black History Month is here, and Napa Valley College is ready to celebrate it with its sixth annual African American Celebration Dinner hosted by the ASB, La Comunidad Unidad and Diversity Task Force. The event will happen Thursday, February 22, at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. Just like last year's program this event will feature free entertainment

and free soul food catered by My Homestyle Café. This year's entertainment will be "Brand New Shoes," a one-woman show that explores the lives, victories and failures of women such as Rosa Parks, Dorothy Dandridge and Maya Angelou. Brand New Shoes is written and performed by NVC instructor Tia Madison and directed by Barbara M. Norris.

For more information, call Coordinator of Student Life Victoria Estrella at 253-3016.

Tia Madison as:



Rosa Parks



Maya Angelou



Mary McLeod



Dorothy
Dandridge



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NVC SPRING SPORTS

Spring Club Rush

February 13 & 14
Noon to 2 p.m. in the Quad

Learn about campus clubs!
Food - Entertainment
Free and open to the public

Sponsored by ASB
Call ASB at 253-3061 for
more information

Now in the Library:

- ◆ Black History Month Display
- ◆ Display from Napa Valley Cooking School

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NVC BALLET FOLKLORICO
TACO FOOD SALE
During Club Rush
Wednesday, February 14
Noon to 2:00p.m. in the Quad

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Many other clubs will also
sell food during Club Rush.

Check It Out!

New – Evening Public Transportation

Getting to Napa Valley College will be easier thanks to expanded services by the VINE Transit Service. It has been announced that FlexRide will operate from 6 to 10 p.m. weekdays, extending public transit services for people who need rides after VINE buses stop at 6:30 p.m. in Napa.

Riders will need to reserve a seat from one to three days in advance. The cost is \$2 per trip. The service will operate weeknights until 10 p.m., Saturday 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Napa.

It is anticipated that FlexRide will be expanded to include early

morning weekday hours, and more hours on Sundays.

Two 14-passenger buses will provide FlexRide service both during the week and on weekends. Drivers will attempt door-to-door service whenever possible.

Reservations are made by calling VINE Customer Service at 251-2800.

New VP of instruction, new deans named at Napa Valley College

Sue Nelson, dean of Instructional Services, was named vice president of Instruction. She is a Napa Valley College success story having graduated from the college. Starting as a student worker, she has worked her way up and held various positions at the college since 1975. She earned her Master of Art degree in organizational management from University of Phoenix and her Bachelor of Art degree from St. Mary's College. Sue is also a graduate of Vintage High School.



SUE NELSON

In making the announcement, NVC President Dr. Chris McCarthy said that she "brings a wealth of talent to the position. Her experience and her abilities are directly relevant to the future plans of the instructional program and the college. During Sue's tenure as dean of Instructional Services, the college has made significant strides forward. Sue has provided oversight for the MESA program and helped pave the way for our partnership with UC Berkeley in the Biology Transfer Consortium. She was instrumental in setting up the Puente Program, and she was responsible for bringing St. Mary's College onto campus to offer our first on-site bachelor's degree program. She has been involved in the development of online coursework, and she has taught online. She is currently participating in final negotiations with Sonoma State University for the establishment of their bachelor's degree program on our campus."

Sue served as interim vice president of instruction from January through July of 2002, and, more recently, assumed additional duties in the summer of 2006, prior to the arrival of an interim vice president.

Her past service also includes four years as assistant dean, Admissions and Records, and eight years as administrative assistant in the Office of Instruction. Sue has taught several courses as a part-time instructor in the Business and Computer Studies Division.

As vice president of Instruction a primary responsibility is working closely with college faculty. The college has some 100 tenured/tenured track faculty and about 250 part-time faculty.

New dean, Health Occupations

Dr. Amy LaPan was named new dean of Health Occupations. She earned her Ph.D. in Social Welfare from UCLA, an M.A. in Social Welfare from CSU Sacramento, and a B.A. in English from UCLA. She has served as academic coordinator/lecturer for the School of Social Welfare at UC Berkeley since 2005. Dr. LaPan formerly worked at the UCLA School of Social Welfare, as an emergency room administrator at Mercy Medical Center, and as a radiology chair assistant/assurance coordinator at VA Medical Center in Los Angeles. She oversees a department with some 17 full-time faculty members, numerous part time faculty members and two instructional assistants. In addition to Nursing programs (RN and LVN), the Health Occupations division includes Respiratory Care, Psychiatric Technician and EMT programs.



DR. AMY
LEPAN

New dean, P.E. and Athletics

Kevin C. Luckey is the new dean of Physical Education and Athletics.

He earned a Master of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and a B.A. in English from University of Oregon. He has served as athletic director, teacher and assistant principal in the Travis Unified



KEVIN LUCKEY

School District since 1987 (excluding the 1993-94 year) where he also served as head coach for football, track and golf at Vanden High School. In 1993-94, he worked for the Elk Grove Unified School District as head football coach and English and physical education instructor. He worked for three years at Oregon Institute of Technology as head football coach and assistant professor of physical education. He will supervise full and part-time Physical Education faculty and coaches for men's basketball, women's basketball, men's golf, women's golf, men's soccer, volleyball, softball and baseball teams.

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